

# Manchester Urban Ponds Restoration Program

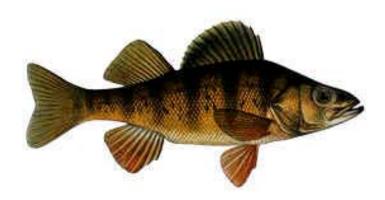
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# Common Fish Species of Nutts Pond

#### Sampled on August 8, 2001

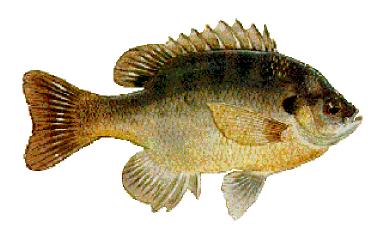
Species	Number	Average	Average
	Sampled	Length (mm)	Weight (g)
Pumpkinseed	70	98	30
Largemouth Bass	57	201	180
Yellow Perch	14	139	52
Bluegill	13	153	95
Golden Shiner	4	115	14
E. Chain Pickerel	2	370	269
	160	179	106





#### Yellow Perch (Perca flavescens)

- **Description:** Golden-yellow with 6-8 broad dark vertical bands
- **Habitat:** Schools found in quiet, warm, weedy waters.
- Food: Small aquatic insects, crustaceans, and small fishes.



Bluegill (Lepomis macrochirus)

- Also known as "kibbie" this fish is not native to NH.
- **Description:** Conspicuous dark blotches at the back of the large, square-shaped, blue-black flap behind the eye.
- Habitat: Quiet, warm, weedy waters.

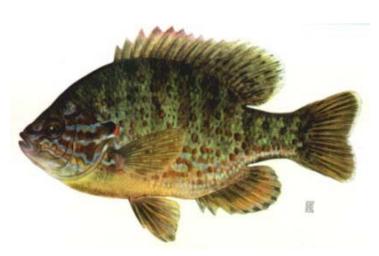


Eastern Chain Pickerel (Esox niger)

- **Description:** Slender, long. Large mouth with teeth. Dorsal and anal fins placed far back near the tail. Pattern of dark, chain-like markings on the side distinguishes it from other members of the pike family.
- Habitat: Quiet, warm, shallow, weedy, mud-bottomed waters.
- Food: Carnivorous and eats golden shiners, brown bullheads, yellow perch, and sunfish.

## Largemouth Bass (Micropterus salmoides)

- **Description:** Resembles the smallmouth bass, but the jaw of the largemouth extends beyond the eye. Also has horizontal dark band/stripe along its side.
- **Habitat:** Solitary fish found in quiet, warm, shallow, weedy, mud-bottomed waters.
- Food: Frogs, bait fish, snakes, mice, snails, and worms.



Pumpkinseed (Lepomis gibbosus)

- **Description:** Resembles the bluegill but has a bright orange spot at the tip of the ear flap and lack of dark spot on the soft portion of the dorsal fin.
- Color: Breeding males are especially colorful with iridescent blue radiating lines on their cheeks and gill covers.
- Habitat: Quiet, warm, weedy waters.
- Food: Aquatic insects, snails, small fish, and fish eggs.



### Golden Shiner (Notemigonus crysoleucas)

- **Description:** Young are silvery with a dusky band along the side. This band fades with age as the fish takes on a golden color.
- Habitat: Schools found in quiet, shallow weedy waters.
- Food: Planktonic crustaceans, aquatic insects, and algae.